

REMARKS

The above amendment and these remarks are responsive to the Office Action of Examiner Jonathan D. Schlaifer mailed 14 Jun 2004.

Claims 13-14, 18, 20, and 22 are in the case, none as yet allowed.

Election/Restrictions

Restriction has been required. Applicants elect without prejudice claims 13-14, 18, 20, 22 of Group III.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Applicants urge that the case passed to issue with claims 13-14, 18, 20, and 22.

The Application is believed to be in condition for allowance and such action by the Examiner is urged. Should differences remain, however, which do not place one/more of the remaining claims in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned at the number provided below for the purpose of providing constructive assistance and suggestions in accordance with M.P.E.P. Sections 707.02(j) and 707.03 in order that allowable claims can be presented, thereby placing the Application in condition for allowance without further proceedings being necessary.

Sincerely,

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